

# Altivar 12 Diagnostics and Troubleshooting

## Drive does not start, no error code displayed

- If the display does not light up, check the power supply to the drive (ground and input phases connection, see page 20).
- The assignment of the "Fast stop" or "Freewheel" functions will prevent the drive starting if the corresponding logic inputs are not powered up. The ATV12 then displays **n S t** in freewheel stop and **F S t** in fast stop, it will display **r d y** in freewheel stop. This is normal since these functions are active at zero so that the drive will be stopped if there is a wire break. Assignment of LI to be checked in **C D n F / F U L L / F U n - / S t t** - menu.
- Make sure that the run command input(s) is activated in accordance with the selected control mode (parameters **Type of control t C C** page 48 and **2 wire type control t C t** page 51, in **C D n F / F U L L / I - O** - menu).
- If the reference channel or command channel is assigned to Modbus, when the power supply is connected, the drive displays "**n S t**" freewheel and remain in stop mode until the communication bus sends a command.
- In factory setting "RUN" button is inactive. Adjust parameters **Reference channel 1 F r I** page 62 and **Command channel 1 C d I** page 63 to control the drive locally (**C D n F / F U L L / C t t** - menu). See How to control the drive locally page 46.

## Fault detection codes that cannot be cleared automatically

The cause of the detected fault must be removed before clearing by turning off and then on.

**S D F** and **t n F** faults can also be cleared remotely by means of a logic input (parameter **Detected fault reset assignment r S F** page 91 in **C D n F / F U L L / F L t** - menu).

Code	Name	Possible causes	Remedy
<b>C r F I</b>	Precharge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Charging relay control fault or charging resistor damaged</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Turn the drive off and then back on again</li><li>• Check the connections</li><li>• Check the stability of the main supply</li><li>• Contact your local Schneider Electric representative</li></ul>
<b>I n F I</b>	Unknown drive rating	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The power card is different from the card stored</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Contact your local Schneider Electric representative</li></ul>
<b>I n F 2</b>	Unknown or incompatible power board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The power card is incompatible with the control card</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Contact your local Schneider Electric representative</li></ul>
<b>I n F 3</b>	Internal serial link	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Communication interruption between the internal cards</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Contact your local Schneider Electric representative</li></ul>
<b>I n F 4</b>	Invalid industrialization zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Inconsistent internal data</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Contact your local Schneider Electric representative</li></ul>
<b>I n F 9</b>	Current measurement circuit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Current measurement is not correct due to hardware circuit</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Contact your local Schneider Electric representative</li></ul>
<b>- - - -</b>	Problem of application Firmware	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Invalid application firmware update using the Multi-Loader tool</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Flash again the application firmware of the product</li></ul>
<b>I n F b</b>	Internal thermal sensor detected fault	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The drive temperature sensor is not operating correctly</li><li>• The drive is in short circuit or open</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Contact your local Schneider Electric representative</li></ul>
<b>I n F E</b>	Internal CPU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Internal microprocessor</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Turn the drive off and then back on again</li><li>• Contact local Schneider Electric representative</li></ul>

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## Fault detection codes that cannot be cleared automatically (continued)

Code	Name	Possible causes	Remedy
<b>OCF</b>	Overcurrent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parameters in the <a href="#">Motor control menu d r C</a> - page <a href="#">57</a> are not correct</li> <li>Inertia or load too high</li> <li>Mechanical locking</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check the parameters</li> <li>Check the size of the motor/drive/load</li> <li>Check the state of the mechanism</li> <li>Connect line chokes</li> <li>Reduce the <a href="#">Switching frequency 5 F r</a> page <a href="#">59</a></li> <li>Check the ground connection of drive, motor cable and motor insulation.</li> </ul>
<b>SCF1</b>	Motor short circuit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Short-circuit or grounding at the drive output</li> <li>Ground fault during running status</li> <li>Commutation of motors during running status</li> <li>Significant current leakage to ground if several motors are connected in parallel</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check the cables connecting the drive to the motor, and the motor insulation</li> <li>Connect motor chokes</li> </ul>
<b>SCF3</b>	Ground short circuit		
<b>SCF4</b>	IGBT short circuit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Internal power component short circuit detected at power on</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contact your local Schneider Electric representative</li> </ul>
<b>SOF</b>	Overspeed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Instability</li> <li>Overspeed associated with the inertia of the application</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check the motor</li> <li>Overspeed is 10% more than <a href="#">Maximum frequency L F r</a> page <a href="#">57</a> so adjust this parameter if necessary</li> <li>Add a braking resistor</li> <li>Check the size of the motor/drive/load</li> <li>Check parameters of the speed loop (gain and stability)</li> </ul>
<b>LnF</b>	Auto-tuning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Motor not connected to the drive</li> <li>One motor phase loss</li> <li>Special motor</li> <li>Motor is rotating (being driven by the load, for example)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check that the motor/drive are compatible</li> <li>Check that the motor is present during auto-tuning</li> <li>If an output contactor is being used, close it during auto-tuning</li> <li>Check that the motor is completely stopped</li> </ul>

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## Fault detection codes that can be cleared with the automatic restart function, after the cause has disappeared

These faults can also be cleared by turning on and off or by means of a logic input (parameter [Detected fault reset assignment](#) **r 5 F** page [91](#)).

Code	Name	Possible causes	Remedy
<b>L F F 1</b>	AI current lost fault	Detection if: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analog input AI1 is configured as current</li> <li><a href="#">AI1 current scaling parameter of 0% C r L 1</a> page <a href="#">52</a> is greater than 3 mA</li> <li>Analog input current is lower than 2 mA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check the terminal connection</li> </ul>
<b>O b F</b>	Overbraking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Braking too sudden or driving load too high</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase the deceleration time</li> <li>Install a module unit with a braking resistor if necessary</li> <li>Check the line supply voltage, to be sure that it is under the maximum acceptable (20% over maximum line supply during run status)</li> </ul>
<b>O H F</b>	Drive overheating	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Drive temperature too high</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check the motor load, the drive ventilation and the ambient temperature. Wait for the drive to cool down before restarting. See Mounting and temperature conditions page <a href="#">13</a>.</li> </ul>
<b>O L C</b>	Process overload	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Process overload</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check the process and the parameters of the drive to be in phase</li> </ul>
<b>O L F</b>	Motor overload	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Triggered by excessive motor current</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check the setting of the motor thermal protection, check the motor load.</li> </ul>
<b>O P F 1</b>	1 output phase loss	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Loss of one phase at drive output</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check the connections from the drive to the motor</li> <li>In case of using downstream contactor, check the right connection, cable and contactor</li> </ul>
<b>O P F 2</b>	3 output phase loss	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Motor not connected</li> <li>Motor power too low, below 6% of the drive nominal current</li> <li>Output contactor open</li> <li>Instantaneous instability in the motor current</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check the connections from the drive to the motor</li> <li>Test on a low power motor or without a motor: In factory settings mode, motor phase loss detection is active <a href="#">Output Phase loss detection O P L</a> page <a href="#">94</a> = <b>Y E 5</b>. To check the drive in a test or maintenance environment, without having to use a motor with the same rating as the drive, deactivate motor phase loss detection <a href="#">Output Phase loss detection O P L</a> = <b>n 0</b></li> <li>Check and optimize the following parameters: <a href="#">IR compensation (law U/F) U F r</a> page <a href="#">58</a>, <a href="#">Rated motor voltage U n 5</a> page <a href="#">57</a> and <a href="#">Rated motor current n C r</a> page <a href="#">57</a> and perform an <a href="#">Auto-tuning t U n</a> page <a href="#">60</a>.</li> </ul>
<b>O S F</b>	Main overvoltage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Line voltage too high:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At drive power on only, the supply is 10% over the maximum acceptable voltage level</li> <li>Power with no run order, 20% over the maximum line supply</li> </ul> </li> <li>Disturbed line supply</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check the line voltage</li> </ul>

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**Fault detection codes that can be cleared with the automatic restart function, after the cause has disappeared (continued)**

Code	Name	Possible causes	Remedy
<b>P H F</b>	Input phase loss	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drive incorrectly supplied or a fuse blown</li> <li>• Failure of one phase</li> <li>• 3-phase ATV12 used on a single-phase line supply</li> <li>• Unbalanced load</li> <li>• This protection only operates with the drive on load</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check the power connection and the fuses.</li> <li>• Use a 3-phase line supply.</li> <li>• Disable the fault by setting <b>Input Phase loss detection I P L</b> page <b>94</b> = <b>n 0</b>.</li> </ul>
<b>S C F 5</b>	Load short circuit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Short-circuit at drive output</li> <li>• Short circuit detection at the run order or DC injection order if parameter <b>IGBT test S t r t</b> page <b>95</b> is set to <b>Y E 5</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check the cables connecting the drive to the motor, and the motor's insulation</li> </ul>
<b>S L F 1</b>	Modbus communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interruption in communication on the Modbus network</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check the connections of communication bus.</li> <li>• Check the time-out (<b>Modbus time out t t 0</b> parameter page <b>97</b>)</li> <li>• Refer to the Modbus user manual</li> </ul>
<b>S L F 2</b>	SoMove communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communication interruption with SoMove</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check the SoMove connecting cable.</li> <li>• Check the time-out</li> </ul>
<b>S L F 3</b>	HMI communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communication interruption with the external display terminal</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check the terminal connection</li> </ul>
<b>S P I F</b>	PI Feedback detected fault	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PID feedback below lower limit</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check the PID function feedback</li> <li>• Check the PI feedback supervision threshold <b>L P I</b> and time delay <b>t P I</b>, page <b>76</b>.</li> </ul>
<b>U L F</b>	Process underload fault	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Process underload</li> <li>• Motor current below the <b>Application Underload threshold L U L</b> parameter page <b>55</b> during a period set by <b>Application underload time delay U L t</b> parameter page <b>55</b> to protect the application.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check the process and the parameters of the drive to be in phase</li> </ul>
<b>t J F</b>	IGBT overheat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drive overheated</li> <li>• IGBT internal temperature is too high according to ambient temperature and load</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check the size of the load/motor/drive.</li> <li>• Reduce the <b>Switching frequency S F r</b> page <b>59</b>.</li> <li>• Wait for the drive to cool before restarting</li> </ul>

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## Faults codes that will be cleared as soon as their causes disappear

The USF fault can be cleared remotely by means of a logic input (parameter [Detected fault reset assignment](#) **r 5 F** page [91](#)).

Code	Name	Possible causes	Remedy
<b>C F F</b>	Incorrect configuration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>HMI block replaced by an HMI block configured on a drive with a different rating</li><li>The current configuration of customer parameters is inconsistent</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Return to factory settings or retrieve the backup configuration, if it is valid.</li><li>If the fault remains after reverting to the factory settings, contact your local Schneider Electric representative</li></ul>
<b>C F I</b> (1)	Invalid configuration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Invalid configuration The configuration loaded in the drive via the bus or communication network is inconsistent. The configuration upload has been interrupted or is not fully finished.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Check the configuration loaded previously.</li><li>Load a compatible configuration</li></ul>
<b>C F I 2</b>	Download invalid configuration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Interruption of download operation with Loader or SoMove</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Check connection with Loader or SoMove.</li><li>To reset the default re-start the download operation or restore the factory setting</li></ul>
<b>U S F</b>	Undervoltage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Line supply too low</li><li>Transient voltage dip</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Check the voltage and the parameters of <a href="#">Undervoltage Phase Loss Menu</a> <b>U 5 b</b> - page <a href="#">95</a>.</li></ul>

(1) When the CFI is present in the past fault menu, it means the configuration has been interrupted or is not fully finished.

### HMI block changed

When an HMI block is replaced by an HMI block configured on a drive with a different rating, the drive locks in Incorrect configuration **C F F** fault mode on power-up. If the card has been deliberately changed, the fault can be cleared by returning to factory setting.

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## Fault detection codes displayed on the remote display terminal

Code	Name	Description
<b>I n I E</b>	On initializing itself	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Micro controller initializing</li><li>• Communication configuration search</li></ul>
<b>C O n . E</b> (1)	Communication error	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• It has 50ms time out error.</li><li>• This message is shown after 220 retry attempts.</li></ul>
<b>A - I 7</b> (1)	Key alarm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Key has been pressed consecutively for more than 10 seconds.</li><li>• Membrane switch disconnected.</li><li>• Keypad woken up while a key is being pressed.</li></ul>
<b>c L r</b> (1)	Confirm Fault reset	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• This message appears if the STOP key is pressed when there is a keypad fault.</li></ul>
<b>d E U . E</b> (1)	Drive mismatch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Drive type (brand) did not match with keypad type (brand)</li></ul>
<b>r O n . E ?</b> (1)	ROM abnormality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Keypad ROM abnormality detected by the checksum calculation.</li></ul>
<b>r A n . E</b> (1)	RAM abnormality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Keypad RAM abnormality detected.</li></ul>
<b>C P U . E</b> (1)	The other defect	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The other detected fault.</li></ul>

(1) Flashing